Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 5-6 as follows.

A travel direction device of the present invention is characterized in that there are a plurality of types of notification of the direction, and the notification of direction is given by selecting at least one of the plurality of types thereof. Accordingly, the voice direction is given not with the same content all the time but with different contents, thus avoiding ~~to~~ annoying the user by the voice direction.

Please amend the first full paragraph on page 9 as follows.

A travel direction device of the present invention is characterized in that the contents of the direction changes depending on school types such as kindergartens, elementary schools, middle schools and other schools. Accordingly, it is possible to give warning direction reasonably by varying a degree of warning. For example, the school zone for kindergarten, the degree is larger because small children may run into the streets suddenly. The school zone warning for elementary schools has a moderate degree of warning because there still ~~are~~ <u>is a</u> possibility that the children <u>will</u> run into the roads, while the degree may be less ~~of~~ <u>with respect</u>

to the middle school because the students can be considered as

an adults.

Please amend the second full paragraph on page 43 as follows.

Based on ~~those~~ that information, the school zone is

set in advance within an area with a radius of a certain

kilometers centered about a school while referring to an area

in which each area sits as ~~an~~ a commuting area. The area of

the school zone may be set smaller for areas centered about

nursery schools, kindergartens, schools for disabled, and

elementary schools so as to correspond to commuting distance

or activities of pupils, for example, and set larger for areas

centered about middle schools, thus enabling to set school

zones appropriately corresponding to the school facility.

Please amend the first paragraph on page 48 as follows.

According to the present embodiment, when the

continuous driving detection means 21 detects continuous

driving such as long driving or long distance driving ~~is~~

~~detected~~, or the monotony driving detection means 22 detects

~~the~~ monotony driving where the car drives on the local road

for a certain period of time within the reference speed range,

the warning output means, such as the liquid crystal display 6

and the speaker 19, outputs ~~the~~ a message to call for the

driver's attention to warn of ~~the~~ doze driving. ~~, it~~It is thus possible to prevent doze driving before it happens. Moreover, if there is a break for more than a predetermined time period or if the driver change detection means 23 detects a driver change, the continuous driving detection means 21 reset its detection process, thus enhancing reliability of the detection result. Furthermore, by changing the criterion of determination for long driving or long distance driving depending on the road types or time zone, it is possible to improve detection accuracy.

Please amend the first full paragraph on page 49 as follows.

In the present embodiment, the CPU 20 has a function added ~~especially~~ specially for realizing a purpose of raise awareness of the driver for the safe driving by encouraging the driver. The CPU (central processing unit) 20 has ~~a~~ an unsafe driving detection means 24 in addition to the current position calculating means and the route searching means for the navigation functions, and these means are executed as software.